

DL101 Discipleship and Leadership Syllabus

I. Course Description

In this course, the student will learn the Biblical principles of discipleship, spiritual gifts, and leadership in order to prepare them to apply all that they have learned to spring board them into whatever ministry context that they will find themselves.

II. Course Objectives

1. The student will be able to give a Biblical defense for Spiritual Gifts, including proper identification and definitions.
2. The student will identify their Spiritual Gift and deploy that gift for the building up of the Church.
3. The student will be able to give a Biblical defense for discipleship, including identification of key Scriptures and methods of discipleship.
4. The student will be able to give a Biblical defense of spiritual leadership, including analysis of key figures in the Bible.
5. The student will deploy their Spiritual Gift within the context of a ministry or ministries.

III. Course Textbooks

A. Required

1. Gangel, Kenneth O. *Unwrap Your Spiritual Gifts*. Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, a division of SP Publishing, 1983
2. Macdonald, William. *True Discipleship*. Kansas City: Walterick Publishers, 1975.
3. Sanders, J. Oswald. *Spiritual Leadership: Principles of Excellence for Every Believer*. Chicago: Moody Press, 1994.
4. The New American Standard Bible (NASB)

B. Suggested

1. Coleman, Robert E. *The Master Plan of Evangelism and Discipleship*. Peabody, MA: Prince Press, 2000
2. Coleman, Robert E; Beougher, Timothy K; Phillips, Tom; Shell, William A; Billy Graham Center. Institute of Evangelism. *Disciple making: training leaders to make disciples: a self-study course in understanding and applying Jesus' command to "make disciples."* Wheaton, IL: Institute of Evangelism, 1994.
3. Hendricks, Howard; Hendricks, William. *As Iron Sharpens Iron: Building Character in a Mentoring Relationship*. Chicago, IL: Moody, 2009
4. Henrichsen, Walter A. *Disciples are Made not Born: Helping others grow to maturity in Christ*. Colorado Springs: Victor, 1988.
5. Hull, Bill. *Jesus Christ Disciple Maker*. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1990.

III. Course Requirements

A. Reading Assignments

Students are required to complete all readings before the class day on which they are due. **Be aware that certain readings are due before the first day of classes.** You will turn in a reading log (last page of this syllabus) on 4/27/2019.

B. Spiritual Gift Project

The student will identify their spiritual gift(s) and write a rationale explaining how they know, and what they are going to do with it to build up the Church. You must define all the gifts that you have utilizing Scripture as well as any other supporting documentation (Greek definitions, commentaries, or other texts). This is not intended to be a large project in terms of number of pages, but an important project to help you deploy your gift. This is due by **February 23, 2019.**

C. Course Project

The student will choose to do one of the following course projects. These projects are designed to move you to action based on all that you have learned in this course. Some of you will be ready to launch into something else, and others will need more time; there are projects for both stages. These projects are due by **May 11, 2019.** Here is the list of projects:

1. Design a new ministry that you would like to lead. You must put together a plan that you will then actually follow. You can put this in the following

formats: PowerPoint presentation or word doc. I have examples that I can show you.

- a. Name and description of Ministry
 - b. Key verses, mission statement, objectives, and goals
 - c. List out the leaders needed, members needed, target ministry audience, materials needed, and space needs
 - d. Make a plan of action to get this ministry started
2. Choose a person from the Bible and do an analysis of their discipleship and leadership methods. Record it all on a word doc, and be as thorough as you can.
 - a. Include a short biography on the person.
 - b. Write observations from key verses (including the verse) pertaining to discipleship and leadership
 - c. Write personal and church wide (as applicable) applications from each of those verses
 - d. Write a conclusion that summarizes what you learned from them, and how you will apply it to your life and ministry
 3. Identify someone that you would like to disciple, or that has approached you for help in growing spiritually. This is not a theoretical person, but an actual person. Put together a plan of how you are going to disciple that person. Your plan should include a write up and a rationale for who, what, when, where, why, and how.
 4. Become a leader in some ministry inside or outside of CBC. You will do a write up of the who, what, when, where, why, and how of this ministry. Please also provide any other supporting documentation, video, or recording of your leadership.

C. Final Exam

The course exam for DL101 will be a take home, open book, open resource, open notes exam with multiple choice questions. The exam will be due by **Saturday, May 4, 2019 by 11:59pm**. You will need to submit this exam to me via e-mail to jeremy@cypressdiscipleship.org.

D. Class Participation

All students are expected to participate in class discussions and engage intentionally with the material present in class. Questions are welcomed!

V. Course Policy

A. Grading Scale

- A: 90-100%
- B: 80-89%
- C: 75-79%
- D: 70-74%
- F: 69% or less

B. Grading Breakdown

- Reading: 25%
- Spiritual Gift Project: 25%
- Course Project: 25%
- Final Exam: 15%
- Participation: 10%

C. Late Work

Per CDI policy, reading that is not completed on time but is in fact completed before the end of the semester will receive half the credit of its normal value. Readings not completed by the time they are due will receive partial credit so long as the reading is completed. All semester projects will receive a 5% reduction in grade per day past the due date per the CDI handbook. **Special circumstances are always taken into consideration.**

D. Attendance Policy

All CDI courses are held on Saturdays and consist of five 75 minute sessions. A student is permitted to miss a total of three 75 minute sessions without penalty. All absences beyond this point will result in a reduction of the student's grade by 5% per session missed. **Special circumstances are always taken into consideration.**

F. Electronics Usage

Per CDI policy, all students are welcome to take notes on their personal computers. However, students should refrain from using cell phones, laptop computers, or other devices in a manner that distracts others in the class. Playing games, browsing the Internet, using email, instant messaging, or text messaging, etc., are considered unacceptable when class is in session.

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 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
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VI. Course Lectures and Assignment Schedule

Date	Lecture	Reading	Assignment Due
Saturday, 1/26	Spiritual Gifts, exposition of Scriptures pertaining to gifts, evaluation and definition of the gifts, your gift	Reading #1 <i>Unwrap Your Spiritual Gifts</i> I Cor 12-14 Eph 4:1-16 Rom 12:3-13	Reading #1
Saturday, 2/23	Discipleship, principles, Biblical examples, illustrations, profiles	Reading #2 <i>True Discipleship</i>	Reading #2 Spiritual Gift Project
Saturday, 3/30	Spiritual Leadership, principles, Biblical examples, illustrations, profiles	Reading #3 <i>Spiritual Leadership</i>	Reading #3
Saturday, 4/27	Practical applications, the sweet spot, Biblical examples, ministry examples, launching	Reading #4	Reading #4 Reading Report
Saturday, 5/4	No Class	None	Final Exam
Saturday, 5/11	No Class	None	Course Project

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STUDENT READING REPORT

Please print, fill out, and submit to me at the last class 4/27/2019.

Student Name: _____

Date	Reading Selection	Completed On Time	Completed By Course End	Not Completed
Saturday, 1/26/2019	Gangel's <i>Unwrap Your Spiritual Gifts</i> ; I Cor 12-14; Eph 4:1-16; Rom 12:3-13			
Saturday, 2/23/2019	MacDonald's <i>True Discipleship</i>			
Saturday, 3/30/2019	Sander's <i>Spiritual Leadership</i>			
Saturday, 4/27/2019	Handouts			
Total Grade	For teacher use only _____			